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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Drug Enforcement Administration Importer of Controlled Substances Notice of Registration Stepan Company

By Notice dated March 19, 2013, and published in the Federal Register on March 28, 2013, 78 FR 19015, Stepan Company, Natural Products Department, 100 W. Hunter Avenue, Maywood, New Jersey 07607, made application by renewal to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to be registered as an importer of Coca Leaves (9040), a basic class of controlled substance listed in schedule II.

The company plans to import the listed controlled substance to manufacture bulk controlled substance for distribution to its customer.

Comments and requests for hearings on applications to import narcotic raw material are not appropriate.

72 FR 3417(2007).

DEA has considered the factors in 21 USC § 823(a) and § 952(a) and determined that the registration of Stepan Company to import the basic class of controlled substance is consistent with the public interest and with United

States obligations under international treaties, conventions, or protocols in effect on May 1, 1971. DEA has investigated Stepan Company to ensure that the company's registration is consistent with the public interest.

The investigation has included inspection and testing of the company's physical security systems, verification of the company's compliance with state and local laws, and a review of the company's background and history. Therefore, pursuant to 21 USC § 952(a) and § 958(a), and in accordance with 21 CFR § 1301.34, the above named company is granted registration as an importer of the basic class of controlled substance listed.

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